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**MARRIAGE.**

On the 4th day, at Shanghai, by H. Daniel M. Connel, and at the Cathedral by the Reverend A. E. Connel, CHURCHMAN, BISHOP'S PALACE, Imperial Chinese Consulate, to ANNE MARY, daughter of Mr. Daniel M. Connel, of Canton.

**The Daily Press.**

Hongkong, May 11th, 1897.

Tax draft of the address to be presented to Her Majesty on the occasion of Her Diamond Jubilee, published in our issue of yesterday, will have been perused by the community, we think, with some feeling of disappointment. There is an absence of all warmth of sentiment, and the literary composition barely reaches the standard of mediocrity. We would respectfully recommend the Sub-Committee in charge of the matter to try again and see if they cannot produce something more worthy of the occasion, which is one that readily lends itself to eloquent treatment. The Victorian era will stand out in English history even more prominently and gloriously than the Elizabethan era, and in congratulating Her Majesty on the completion of the sixtieth year of Her reign reference might appropriately be made to the achievements of that era, as regards national expansion, progress in the arts and sciences, and social advancement. Literary inspiration, we are aware, will not always come at command, but we think that even in Hongkong it ought to be possible on such an occasion as this to produce an address that would more adequately than the one now before us express the affection in which Her Majesty is held, that would appeal more closely to our national pride, that would make the blood run a little more quickly in our veins and our nerves give a responsive thrill to the expression of noble sentiment. Of all who have read the present draft we venture to say that not one has been in any degree moved by it, unless it be in the direction of dissatisfaction. Not only is the draft unsatisfactory by reason of its omissions and the inadequate expression it gives to the feelings of the community, but it contains two passages to which actual objection may be taken. The phrase "Your Majesty," "subjects resident in Hongkong yield to," "none in their devotion and loyalty," etc., is not only excessively hackneyed, but it is almost invariably used in controversy, as

for instance, when we are resisting some demand of the home Government but wish to guard ourselves against any imputation on our loyalty. The phrase with slight variations has been used over and over again in the Straits and Hongkong in connection with the military contribution dispute. Apart from its associations, however, the expression "yield to none" strikes us as being an error in taste; we can very well express our loyalty without the use of comparison. Also, seeing that our friends of other nationalities are to be invited to sign the address, the phrase, "that freedom of commerce which distinguishes your Majesty's Government from all the Governments of the world," might with advantage be omitted, for however favourably impressed residents of other nationalities may be with our liberal commercial policy they may not unreasonably object to appending their signature to any implied disparagement of their own Governments. If it be contended that this is not the construction our foreign friends will put upon the passage in question, and if it be also held that the phrase "yield to none" is not inadmissible, the address as a whole would still be open to the objection that it is trite, cold, unimpassioned, and lacking in the eloquence befitting the occasion.

Telegraphic communication with Macao is restored.

The N. G. I. steamer *Biago* left Bombay on Saturday and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

Sir Claude MacDonald will leave Shanghai for Tientsin on the 10th May.

Mr. Fitchard Morgan, M.P., and party have returned to Shanghai from the North.

There were 2,532 visitors to the City Hall Museum last week, of whom 230 were Europeans.

Senior Gallardo, the new Governor of Macao, is a passenger by the M. M. steamer *Natal*, due to Hongkong to-day.

As will be seen from our Macao correspondence letter, the port dues at Macao are to be abolished as regards coast and river steamers.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Toku Maru*, from Melbourne and ports, left Thursday Island for this port yesterday, and is expected to arrive here on the 21st inst.

The local representatives of those who lost their lives in the *Opium* filed their claims at Shanghai on the 20th April, the last day for doing so.

There were 124 Chinese claims and two European.

We hear that a telegram was received from Shanghai yesterday to the effect that Mr. Midway, who met with an accident while riding at the second day's Shanghai races, was out of danger and recovering rapidly.

It is currently reported amongst natives at Shanghai, the N. O. *Daily News* says, that H. E. Shing has refused to receive the resignation of Dr. Ho Kai and that he has telegraphed to the latter advising him to return to Shanghai to resume his post.

Obsv. E. Ghid, Consul for Italy at Shanghai, has received a telegram announcing that Antonio Salvo is appointed to the post of Consul at Shanghai, and is expected to arrive here very shortly. It is not known yet whether he is appointed Minister or Consul Affairs.

Hudson's Surprise Party opens again at the Theatre Royal next Saturday with entirely new features. The company's success at Shanghai was very pronounced, and the members of the party are warmly welcomed on their reappearance next Saturday.

The Secretary of the Punjion Mining Co., Limited, informs us that he has received the following telegram from the directors of the company: "The directors of the company have decided to close up the mine." The directors have decided to close up the mine.

The chief engineer of the German man-of-war *Prinzess Wilhelme* committed suicide by shooting himself at the German Hospital at Yokohama on the 1st May. He had been an inmate of the hospital for some time, and it is said that his real act was due to mental depression.

Some of the local vernacular papers report that the French man-of-war *Throne* is expected to visit the port of Canton, and that the French man-of-war *Throne* is expected to visit the port of Canton.

It is said that when Mr. Huang the Shanghai Magistrate, recently called on the members of the French Municipal Council to inform them that the French Municipal Council had also increased the tax to 600,000, to be levied in July next, and to tell them that they were expected to pay that tax also without any demur, the headman replied that he had found only a dozen or fifteen had signed their willingness to conform to the new tax, and that the rest of the population were not willing to do so.

From Soochow comes the news that a strong band of Hunanese and other *Kiao* Hsin having recently joined the native pirates and the smugglers of the Tahn Lake, near Soochow, made a sudden attack last week on a Salt Revenue station at Chuehking, not far from the mouth of the Yangtze. The station was the station there. The station was then set on fire and destroyed, as well as a Chinese gunboat lying off the place. The raiders did not go far on their return journey when they met a squadron of three gunboats, and a battle ensued. The superior numbers of the pirates again carried the day and captured two of the gunboats, together with a quantity of military stores. The military authorities have preventive services have stationed Governor Chao of Soochow for a supply of four Gatling guns and 200 stand of Martini rifles. With these they expect to make short work of the pirates who got to the lake's banks. —N. O. *Daily News*.

**LATEST TELEGRAMS.**

FROM TOKYO PAPERS.

**THE NEW GREEK MINISTRY.**

At Athens M. Ralli has formed his cabinet. He himself is Minister of Marine, M. Theodoris Minister of the Interior, Colonel Themistocles Minister of War, and M. Skondralis Minister of Foreign Affairs.

**EARTHQUAKE AT GUADALOUPE.**

PAIRS, 11th May.

Earthquake shocks have occurred at Guadeloupe by which four persons were killed and forty injured.

**MAY DAY IN FRANCE.**

PAIRS, 2nd May.

May day passed quietly in Paris and the provinces.

## MACAO.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Macao, 10th May.

The Lisbon Government has at last acquiesced to the detrimental effect of the high tonnage dues charged at this port, and in Saturday's *Boletim Oficial* the following notification appeared:—

"To its due effect and in order that the immediate execution may be given to the following telegram is published:—

"Lisbon, 6th May, 1897.

"A decree of the 29th April provides that steamers from Hongkong, Canton, Kobei, Hiohai, ports on the West coast, and all other Chinese ports shall be exempt from Macao tonnage dues and all other port dues. Exports."

"To be complied with—Secretary General of the Government of Macao, 8th May, 1897.

"The Government of Macao has received the notification of the Lisbon Government, and in addition to finding those who may be exempted from their tonnage dues a temporary measure for the purpose of relieving the port of Macao from the payment of the tonnage dues, the Government has decided to exempt from the payment of the tonnage dues all steamers from the ports of Hongkong, Canton, Kobei, Hiohai, ports on the West coast, and all other Chinese ports, and all other port dues. Exports."

"No doubt we will now again see steamers visiting the port, though they have to wait for the tide."

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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## S. S. "PRINZ HEINRICH."

The above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Oil, and other articles, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Shanghai Steamship and Navigation Company, Limited, and that delivery will be made to the consignees at their expense. Consignees of Oil and other articles will be notified by the Company's Agents, Messrs. J. & A. Burns, when delivery will be made to the consignees at their expense. Consignees of Oil and other articles will be notified by the Company's Agents, Messrs. J. & A. Burns, when delivery will be made to the consignees at their expense.

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## Captain P. H. G. will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 11th inst., at Noon.

## For Freight or Passage, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [1062]

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## Hongkong, 8th May, 1897. [1112]

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## For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER &amp; CO., Agents.

## Hongkong, 6th May, 1897. [15]

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

## THE Company's Steamship.

## "SHANTUNG."

## Captain F. H. will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 12th inst., at Noon.

## For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, Agents.

## Hongkong, 11th May, 1897. [1069]

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR TIENTSIN.

## THE Company's Steamship.

## "NANCHANG."

## Captain F. H. will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 12th inst., at Noon.

## For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, Agents.

## Hongkong, 11th May, 1897. [1067]

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## FOR HAMBURG AND LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

## THE Company's Steamship.

## "SARPEDON."

## Captain G. H. will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 12th inst., at Noon.

## For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, Agents.

## Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [843]

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

## (UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.)

## STEAM FOR SHANGHAI AND KOREA.

## THE Company's Steamship.

## "POSEIDON."

## Captain R. H. will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 12th inst., at Noon.

## For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER &amp; CO., Agents.

## Hongkong, 8th May, 1897. [15]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).

## THE Company's Steamship.

## "TAKSANG."

## Captain R. H. will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 12th inst., at Noon.

## For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; CO., General Managers.

## Hongkong, 1st May, 1897. [1057]

## FOR SINGAPORE, HAYRE, AND HAMBURG.

## (Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LONDON, OPORTO, LIVERPOOL, and BREMEN.)

## THE Company's Steamship.

## "OERES."

## Captain T. F. will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 12th inst., at Noon.

## For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN &amp; CO., Agents.

## Hongkong, 8th May, 1897. [1110]

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## JAPAN-AUSTRALIA LINE.

## MONTHLY SERVICE.

## (Under Mail Contract.)

## FOR THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

## THE Company's Steamship.

## "OMI MARU."

## Captain O. Young will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 12th inst., at Noon.

## For Freight or Passage, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## Hongkong, 4th May, 1897. [1068]

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

## OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

## VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

## CORRECTION.

## Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama, May 11, 1897, at Noon.

## GAMING.

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